## LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## Board of Health April 14, 2020

## I. ZOOM MEETING UPDATE

On Tuesday April 14, 2020 two separate zoom meetings were conducted with Board of Health Members. The first meeting started at 4:30 pm and included Sean Flowerday, Stephanie Jarrett, Tom Randa and Jackie Miller. The second meeting started at 5:00 pm and included Katie Garcia, Dustin Loy, Jasmine Kingsley and Stacie Bleicher. Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic we were unable to technically have a meeting but wanted to give the Board of Health a current update.

- Pat Lopez informed both groups that they would be included in the "Situational Update" sent out everyday by our Epidemiologist Raju Kakarlapudi. This daily update includes positive cases, testing results and deaths in the county, state and national numbers.
- The Health Department is working on increasing testing and using predictive measures to ensure enough hospital beds when they are needed.
- Environmental Public Health has been reaching out to restaurants and daycares to provide grant funding information when it is available.
- Governor Ricketts issued a proclamation until April 30<sup>th</sup>; however, the Health Department issued their own Directive Health Measure to extend until May 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Health Department is conducting daily "Unified Command" meetings that include Transportation & Utilities, Fire & Rescue and Police.
- The Health Department also set up an on-line PPE request form and are using UVA and a de-contamination unit to expand the use of PPE.
- Our Operations Unit has been working with The People's City Mission to provide case workers and temporary housing to current residents.
- Lincoln Public Schools has been assisting with sewing aprons, Duncan Aviation
  has been assisting with sewing face coverings and Innovation Campus is using 3D printers to make face shields.
- Health Department staff have moved to an "appointment only" status to reduce face to face contact and we will remain open.
- Staff are getting temperature screened daily to ensure everyone working in the building is healthy.
- Lincoln trails and parks are remaining open at this time and we are encouraging the public to practice social distancing.

The Health Department is doing their best to inform the public and keep them up to date. "Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected".

Angel Edwards Recording Secretary